

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION

I, Dale S. Cheney, declare: that I am a citizen of the United States of America; that my residence and post office address is 2679 West 1700 South, Syracuse, Utah 84075; that I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter of the invention or discovery entitled VEHICLE STORAGE BOX WITH SINGLE HINGED DOUBLE SECURED COMPARTMENTS AND DUAL ACTUATING CAM LATCHES for which a patent is sought and which is described and claimed in the specification attached hereto; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration; and that we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with § 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

I hereby appoint as my attorneys and/or patent agents, VAUGHN W. NORTH, Registration No. 27,930, M. WAYNE WESTERN, Registration No. 22,788, MICHAEL W. STARKWEATHER, Registration No. 34,441, GARRON M. HOBSON, Registration No.

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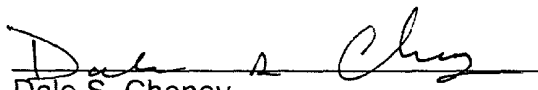
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Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

Signed at Park City Utah, this 23 day of November, 1999.

INVENTOR:


Dale S. Cheney

**DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
FOR INDEPENDENT INVENTORS**

I, Dale S. Cheney, hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 C.F.R § 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office under § 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, with regard to the invention entitled "VEHICLE STORAGE BOX WITH SINGLE HINGED DOUBLE SECURED COMPARTMENTS AND DUAL ACT", as described in the patent application filed concurrently herewith.

I further declare that have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed and I am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any right, title, or interest in the invention to any person, firm, or organization.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in the above-mentioned application or any patent issued in respect thereof, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of (1) the issue fee or (2) any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.

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the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

Signed at Park City, Utah, this 23rd day of November, 1999.

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